

## REGULAR MEETING OF SOUTH EUCLID CITY COUNCIL

Council President David Miller called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### Roll Call

**Present:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Miller (6)

**Absent:** Goodman

**Staff:** Benjamin, Filippo, Kowalczyk, Lograsso, Nietert, Welo, Martin, Anderson, Love, Huston

### **Approval of Minutes:** February 13, 2012

Following discussion, It was moved by Fiorelli, seconded by Romeo, that the Minutes of the February 13, 2012 Meeting of City Council be Approved.

### Roll Call:

**Ayes:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Goodman.

The minutes have been approved.

### **Special Presentation: Officers of the Year**

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 14-12

#### RESOLUTION

IN APPRECIATION TO AND RECOGNITION OF PATROL OFFICER MICHAEL FINK FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE SOUTH EUCLID POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID AND HAVING BEEN NOMINATED AND ELECTED OFFICER OF THE YEAR FOR 2011. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Miller, seconded by Romeo, that Resolution 14-12 be passed.

**Ayes:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Goodman.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 15-12

#### RESOLUTION

IN APPRECIATION TO AND RECOGNITION OF FIREFIGHTER JOSEPH ZUCCARO FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE SOUTH EUCLID FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID AND HAVING BEEN NOMINATED AND ELECTED FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR FOR 2011. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gray, seconded by Miller, that Resolution 15-12 be passed.

### Roll Call:

**Ayes:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Goodman.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

### **Opening Meeting of Council:**

President Miller called the Open Meeting of Council to order and invited the audience to address Council:

- David Furry, 3867 West 226<sup>th</sup> Street, Fairview Park, stated that at the end of October last year, Ms. DiFranco asked about policies regarding employees driving City vehicles and requested if Council had taken action on legislation. Mayor Welo responded that policies and procedures have been implemented regarding driving city vehicles. Mr. Furry questioned issues from the last week's budget hearing including expenses for outside legal fees and housing inspectors. Mr. Furry asked if the pools cannot open on time because of mechanical issues, would residents receive refunds.

### **Report of Council Committees:**

#### Committee of the Whole

President Miller reported on the Committee of the Whole Meeting held earlier in the evening, which was a presentation by the City's new Community Development Corporation, OneSouthEuclid, a non-profit organization formed to sustain and develop South Euclid and enhance quality of life through residential and commercial revitalization and community development.

President Miller reported that Budget Hearings were held on February 22 and February 23 and the Committee of the Whole will have another Budget Hearing in Council Chambers on February 28 at 6 pm.

#### Legislative Committee

President Miller reported that a Legislative Committee Meeting was held earlier in the evening to discuss Ordinance 37-11 regarding Overnight Parking. Miller reported that there was insightful discussion with the Police Chief, Traffic Commissioner, members of council and residents. Additional data will be collected and another committee meeting will be scheduled to discuss the issue.

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#### Recreation Committee

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 04-12

#### ORDINANCE

AMENDING SECTION 933.07, FEES FOR USE, AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 933, MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOLS OF PART NINE STREETS AND PUBLIC SERVICES CODE OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID; SETTING ADMISSION FEES, SEASON PASSES, SPECIAL PROGRAMS, AND RECIPROCITY WITH THE CITY OF LYNDHURST FOR THE USE OF THE MUNICIPAL POOLS AND SPLASH PARKS BY RESIDENTS OF THE CITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **SECOND READING.**

Following discussion, It was moved by Gelfand, seconded by Miller, that Ordinance 04-12 be passed.

#### **Roll Call:**

**Ayes:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icovc, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Goodman.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

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#### Legislation Requested by the Planning Commission

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 05-12

#### ORDINANCE

AMENDING ZONING TEXT TO CHAPTERS 724, 734, 744 AND SECTIONS 722.02, 722.03, 722.04, 722.05, 732.02, 741.02 AND 746.02 OF TITLE TWO, THREE, AND FOUR OF PART SEVEN OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE. FIRST READING.

Placed on First Reading

Introduced by Miller

Ordinance 06-12

#### ORDINANCE

ENACTING NEW CHAPTER 772 "PARKING" OF TITLE SEVEN OF PART SEVEN "PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO. FIRST READING.

Placed on First Reading.

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#### **Mayor's Report:**

- **Building Commissioner Kowalczyk:** Reported on construction activity at Cedar Center and that the exterior construction of Bob Evans is nearing completion and will open for business in April. Kowalczyk reported that the DeVille development at Cedar Center is moving fast with foundations in place for the Cedar Road outparcels.
- **Housing Manager Martin:** Reported on the increase in residential permits since Council passed the vacant building ordinance and the Green Neighborhoods Initiative has been implemented in 2009. There has been a 63% increase.
- **Service Director Anderson:** Reported on tree trimming occurring in areas of South Euclid.  
**Economic Development Coordinator Love:** Requested Council consideration for Resolution 17-12 regarding a SWIF (Stormwater Improvement Fund) grant application and reported that GetGo will be opening a South Euclid location at the corner of the closed gas station at Mayfield and Belvoir.
- **Mayor Welo:** Reported on meetings with NOPEC regarding the State's plans to allow drilling in Ohio's Utica Shale. Welo thanked former Service Director Ed Gallagher for his efforts in leading the City's new CDC and thanked the Board Members, who are volunteering their time. Welo discussed the Argonne-Avondale Block Club Pot Luck, which was also attended by Councilperson Gelfand and reported on the upcoming Mercury Summer Stock Theatre Season at Notre Dame College.

- Community Services Director Benjamin asked for Council Consideration of Resolution 19-12 to apply for a Cuyahoga County Community Development Block Grant.

### Legislation Requested by the Administration

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 16-12

#### RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE "1080 ARGONNE ROAD POCKET PARK" TO BE COMPLETED AS PART OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO GREEN NEIGHBORHOODS INITIATIVE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Romeo, seconded by Miller, that Resolution 16-12 be passed.

#### Roll Call:

**Ayes:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icové, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Goodman.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 17-12

#### RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR A 2012 OHIO EPA SURFACE WATER IMPROVEMENT FUND (SWIF) GRANT FOR CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMUNITIES. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Gray, seconded by Romeo, that Resolution 17-12 be passed.

#### Roll Call:

**Ayes:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icové, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Goodman.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 18-12

#### RESOLUTION

IN SUPPORT OF THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES RENEWAL LEVY, APPEARING AS ISSUE 15 ON THE MARCH 6, 2012 BALLOT, TO ENSURE THE CONTINUATION OF VITAL SERVICES TO COUNTY RESIDENTS. FIRST READING.

Following discussion, It was moved by Fiorelli, seconded by Romeo, that Resolution 18-12 be passed.

#### Roll Call:

**Ayes:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icové, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Goodman.

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

Introduced by Miller

Resolution 19-12

#### RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR A GRANT UNDER THE "COMPETITIVE MUNICIPAL PROGRAM": 2012 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUND; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING.

First Reading.

#### Roll Call:

**Ayes:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Icové, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Goodman

The Legislation has Passed Unanimously.

### Law Director's Report

None

### Letters & Communications

- Councilperson Miller scheduled a Committee Meeting for March 19 at 7 pm to discuss revisions to the City's nuisance abatement laws.

- Councilperson Gelfand reported on the positive efforts of the Argonne and Avondale Block Group and the plans for their pocket park and their grassroots advocacy efforts.
- Councilperson Romeo reported that the Playground of Possibilities Reverse Raffle fundraiser will be held March 10 and that tickets are \$35 each.
- Councilperson Fiorelli reported that the Service Committee will have a meeting on March 6 at 7 pm to continue discussion regarding trash and recycling issues and that Sacred Hearts of Jesus will have their annual Pancake Breakfast on March 25. Tickets are \$8 for Adults and \$5 for kids.
- Mayor Welo reported the sad news that Mary D'Amico, the wife of former long-time South Euclid Mayor Arnold D'Amico, passed away earlier in the day.

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**Adjourn**

Following discussion, It was moved by Romeo, seconded by Ilove, that the meeting of City Council be adjourned.

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes:** Fiorelli, Gelfand, Gray, Ilove, Romeo, Miller.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstain:** None.

**Absent:** Goodman.

The Meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm.

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Council President

Attest:

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Clerk of Council